

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS FOR REVIEW

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WEEKLY REPORT OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

The purpose of the environmental review process is to provide information about the environmental effects of the actions and decisions made by the County, so that environmental considerations become a part of the decision making process. The following is a summary of the most recent determinations made by the County's Environmental Coordinator. The purpose of this listing is to notify the public of pending actions, which may affect the environment of San Luis Obispo County.

You are invited to participate in this process by reviewing and providing comments on the recommendations of the Environmental Coordinator. Your comments should be in writing and should be delivered to: Ellen Carroll, Environmental Coordinator, Department of Planning and Building, 976 Osos Street, Room 300, San Luis Obispo, Ca 93408-2040. For more information about the environmental review process, please write to the address above, call the Environmental Division of the Department of Planning and Building at (805) 781-5600, or review information on our website which is www.sloplanning.org.

Proposed Negative Declarations

A Negative Declaration is issued for projects that would not result in significant effects on the environment. In many cases, the project applicant has added mitigation measures to the project to reduce environmental impacts in order to qualify for a Negative Declaration. If you disagree with the issuance of a proposed Negative Declaration, you may provide comments or file a Request for Review (appeal) of the Negative Declaration. Requests for Review must be filed within two weeks of the date that the proposed Negative Declaration is posted and must address only environmental issues. There is a fee for the request. If you would like more information about this process, please contact the Environmental Coordinator.

For Week of December 18, 2008

Los Osos Area

Lee Conditional Use Permit and Development Plan. Request by William Lee to: 1) permit as-built grading that has occurred on the project site (APN 067-011-049) including re-contouring of an existing pond and preparation of land for crop development (avocado orchard), 2) allow for restoration of the graded / grubbed conservation easement area along the northern bank of Warden Creek, and 3) placement of a 10,000 gallon water tank and water service lines for crop irrigation, and associated drainage improvements. The project has resulted in the disturbance of approximately 9-acres (approximately 6-acres for crop development) of an 80-acre parcel. The proposed project is within the Agriculture land use category and is located on Turri Road, approximately 0.5 miles east of the community of Los Osos. The site is in the Estero planning area. ED06-258 (DRC2006-00036)

Draft Environmental Impact Report available

WHO: County of San Luis Obispo Department of Planning and Building

WHAT: A Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the San Miguel Ranch General Plan Amendment is

complete and available for public review and comment. The DEIR addresses the environmental impacts that may be associated with the request to rezone and subdivide approximately 550 acres in

the Agriculture land use category to allow for a variety of residential, commercial, recreation, and open space land uses.

The proposed project is within the Agriculture land use category and is located adjacent to and west of Highway 101, extending north from the Highway 101/10th Street interchange to the Highway 101/Mission Street interchange, near the southern boundary of Camp Roberts, and west and northwest of the community of San Miguel.

WHERE:

Copies of the DEIR and all documents referenced in the DEIR, are available for review from the County Environmental Coordinator, 976 Osos Street, Room 300, San Luis Obispo. Copies of the EIR are also available for review at the following locations: Cal Poly Library and SLO City/ County Library. The DEIR is on the Planning Department's web site at: www.sloplanning.org under "Environmental Information and Natural Resources" and then to "Environmental Notices, Proposed Negative Declarations, EIRs and other Documents". A meeting will be held on the DEIR on January 13, 2009, from 7:00 – 9:30 pm, at Lillian Larsen School Gymnasium, 1601 L St., San Miguel. Staff and consultants will be available to discuss the DEIR and its findings. The purpose of the meeting is to assist the public with the process of reviewing and commenting on the document. For further information regarding this meeting, please contact Elizabeth Kavanaugh at (805) 788-2010 (or e-mail: ekavanaugh@co.slo.ca.us).

HOW TO COMMENT OR GET MORE INFORMATION:

Anyone interested in commenting on the DEIR should submit a written statement to Steve McMasters of the San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning and Building at 976 Osos Street, Room 200, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408-2040 by 5:00 p.m., February 11, 2009. If you need more information about this project, please contact Steve McMasters at (805) 781-5096.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

The DEIR focuses on the following issues: Land Use, Traffic, Aesthetics, Agricultural Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology & Soils, Hazards, Noise, Population and Housing, Public Services, Recreation, Water & Wastewater, Hydrology & Water Quality, and Growth Inducing impacts. The EIR also considers six alternatives in addition to the "No Project" alternative.

PUBLIC HEARING:

The public hearing before the Planning Commission to certify the EIR and consider the project for approval has been **tentatively** scheduled for **July 2009**, in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, County Government Center, San Luis Obispo. If you plan to attend, please call at least two weeks before this date to verify.